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ABSTRACT

Objective of the Four Corners Mobile Library Project, which has been in operation for over 2 years, is to adequately and effectively meet the informational needs of the area. During 1971-72, the Four Corners Bookmobile service on the Navajo and Hopi Reservations was expanded to include an additional bookmobile and 3 additional staff members to serve the increased informational and recreational reading interests of those living in the project's area. The 2 bookmobiles in operation were able to provide more adequate service in the form of more frequent visits, better staffing, and a resulting higher quality of service. With the added staff, facilities, and equipment, it was possible to provide a wider variety of services to the area's residents. This was evident with the rising number of users and the increasing rate of special requests for materials not on the bookmobiles. Efforts were made to reach more non-users in order to meet the project's objective. This 1971-72 final report discusses the project's physical facilities, staff activities, collections, circulation, special programs, communications, public relations and publicity, consultant services, and fiscal information. Publicity samples, circulation statistics, fiscal report and inventory, and samples of bookmobile schedules are given in the appendices. (NQ)

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INTRODUCTION

The Four Corners Mobile Library Project has now been in operation for over two years. During the past year, the Four Corners Bookmobile service on the Navajo and Hopi Reservations was expanded to include the addition of another bookmobile and three additional staff members to serve the increased informational and recreational reading interests of those living in the project area. The two bookmobiles operating are now able to provide more adequate service in the form of more frequent visits, better staffing, and a resulting higher quality of service. This expansion was made possible through increased funding by the joint sponsors of the project, the Arizona State Library Extension Service and the Four Corners Regional Commission.

With the added staff, facilities and equipment, it has been possible to provide a wider variety of services to the residents of the area. This has become evident with the rising number of users and the increasing rate of special requests for materials not on the bookmobiles. Efforts have also been made to reach more non-users in order to meet the objective of the project, namely that of adequately and effectively meeting the informational needs of the area.

A. PHYSICAL FACILITIES

During the month of August, the headquarters office was moved to Flagstaff with a branch office still maintained in Winslow. Since the office in Flagstaff was moved to temporary quarters the teletypewriter was kept in Winslow. One bookmobile was operating out of this office which was also staffed by a clerk.

The quarters in Flagstaff were housed in a city office building which were somewhat crowded but functional. One bookmobile was based here along with the four other staff members. In May of 1972, this office was then moved to the Flagstaff Public Library. This newly remodeled building provided roomier quarters which allowed for a more complete bookstock and more work space.

To enable the staff to operate more efficiently, a suburban-type vehicle was supplied by the State Library Agency. This provided much needed transportation for supervising the two offices, assisting the bookmobile drivers and for other staff activities.

B. STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Jean Groulx has remained as head of the staff of the project and Sheldon Lawrence, Field Consultant for the State Library Extension Service, as Project Director. The two have had to cope with the many problems that have arisen concerning the expansion of the project and the moving of the headquarters. The establishment of new routes was also necessary, as well as the training of new personnel. Marie Joe, a Navajo, has also been on the staff since the inception of the project serving as a clerk in the central office. She has become quite efficient in its operation, especially during the frequent trips which required time away from the office by the other staff members. She has also been very helpful in making local contacts because of her ability to speak the Navajo language. The continued employ of these two staff members has been very beneficial in the operation of the project since its beginning.

A much-needed library assistant was hired as part of the expansion of the project. Andy Deering was employed on September 7, 1971 to serve in that capacity. He is a graduate of Northern Arizona University and has had considerable library experience and training. His duties are primarily to assist the Project Librarian, Mrs. Groulx, and to take charge in her absence. Mr. Deering has added much-needed strength to the program's reference and reader's advisory services.

The bookmobile driver from the Flagstaff office for the first half of the project year was Donald Redbird, a Kiowa Indian, who resigned in December of 1971. He was replaced by Robert Smyth, Jr., a Navajo from the Tuba City area, who began employment on February 15, 1972. During the interim period, a driver from the State Library Extension Service assisted in meeting the schedules. The bookmobile driver based in Winslow, Tom Scott, was employed on August 3, 1971. Being familiar with the area and able to speak fluently in his native tongue (Navajo) has been a tremendous asset in this type of work. He is a graduate of Haskell Institute. The clerk for the Winslow Office, Mrs. Elaine Harvey, is a Hopi who graduated from Stewart Indian School and Haskell Institute. She was employed in June of 1971.

The entire staff has been involved in making local contacts while establishing bookmobile service on the two reservations. Assistance in arranging schedules for the Hopi villages was given by Elaine Harvey since she was well-acquainted in the area and speaks the Hopi language.

Numerous meetings and workshops have been attended by various members of the staff throughout the past year. Mrs. Groulx served as a staff member on the Bureau of Indian Affairs sponsored Early Childhood Education Workshop held in October at Northern Arizona University. The audience was composed of principals, teachers and teacher aides working in the BIA schools in the area. This provided an excellent opportunity to publicize the services of the Four Corners Project.

Also in October, a workshop sponsored by the State Library Extension Service was attended by Jean Croulx and Andy Deering. The Four Corners Project was discussed with the workshop participants who were the librarians of Apache and Navajo Counties.

In the same month the two clerks, Elaine Harvey and Marie Joe, attended a two-day workshop on interlibrary loan procedures at the University of Arizona in Tucson. The Navapach Telecommunications Project, which will be explained later, was also discussed. Mrs. Groulx attended an "INFO-71" workshop in Flagstaff on October 30. Funded under Title III of the Library Services and Construction Act, the purpose of this event was to provide information on methods of promoting library service among children and young people. Emphasis was placed on the role of school and public libraries in meeting community needs. Mrs. Groulx spoke briefly to the group on the Four Corners Project.

Assistance in community library development is felt to be of importance in conjunction with the bookmobile program and this prompted a trip to Window Rock and Chinle by Mrs. Groulx and Mr. Deering in November. An interview was held with Marshall Tome, Administrative

Assistant to the Navajo Tribal Chairman. The possibility of acquiring funding from tribal sources for library services was discussed.

December was a hectic month because of a number of difficulties. Heavy snows forced cancellation of part of the schedules, along with some mechanical difficulties which occurred. Several of the staff members were ill so it was fortunate that no runs were scheduled for the last two weeks of the month, which is customary because of the holidays.

A meeting of the Committee on Library Services to Indians of the American Library Association was attended by Sheldon Lawrence in Chicago on January 26. Mrs. Groulx is a member of this committee but was unable to attend. Its purpose is to promote library services which are especially adapted to the Indian populations of different locales. This committee is working in conjunction with the National Indian Education Association to increase the number and quality of libraries on Indian lands. The Rough Rock area has been chosen as one of the selected sites in the nation to establish and develop a strong library program for the local Indian population.

Recruiting a new bookmobile driver to replace Donald Redbird was of major concern during the month of January. A suitable applicant was found and on February 15, Robert Smyth, Jr. was hired to operate the Flagstaff-based bookmobile. He also has had commercial art training and experience which can be utilized in the publicity program of the project.

Regional library development, which would involve cooperative library services among all types of libraries in the counties of Apache, Navajo, Coconino and Yavapai (which comprise Region III), is beginning to take place. The purpose of this type of activity is to develop more efficient and effective methods of providing library services to this sparsely populated area. Meetings have been attended by Mrs. Groulx, Mr. Deering and Mr. Lawrence to tie the Four Corners Project in with any developments in the region.

County library development is also of primary concern since there are no county libraries functioning in Navajo and Apache Counties. On March 20, Mrs. Groulx and Sheldon Lawrence attended a meeting of the Winslow Library Board to discuss the establishment of a county library in Navajo County. After Mr. Lawrence outlined the advantages of a county system, the board voted unanimously to offer the Winslow Library as headquarters for the proposed county library.

Budgeting and automation were the subjects of a workshop in Tucson on March 24, sponsored by the State Library Extension Service and the University of Arizona, and attended by Mrs. Groulx and Mr. Lawrence. The various aspects of budget planning and programming will be very helpful in future planning.

The proposed county library organization was brought before the Navajo County Board of Supervisors on April 4. Mr. Lawrence explained the advantages of such a system and answered questions of the board members. The board agreed to pass a resolution establishing

such a system and will investigate the possibility of appropriating some county funds for the operation of the headquarters library.

The Arizona State Library Association's annual conference was held in Tucson on April 13-14. A planning meeting was held in conjunction with the conference by representatives of the four states in the Four Corners Region to explore other possible means of providing more adequate library service for the area. A plan is being developed at subsequent meetings which will involve all four states in a cooperative project aimed at serving the economically undeveloped portions of the four state area. Planning for the proposed project is being funded by the Four Corners Regional Commission.

An Institute on Library Service to Native Americans was held in Berkeley, California on April 13 with Mrs. Groulx as one of the speakers. Emphasized were the problems that the vast geographic area posed, and on the reverse side, the gratifying experience of being able to provide a culturally-relevant service that the local citizens were eager to take advantage of. The importance of strengthening traditional values while providing informational resources was stressed.

A meeting of the Four Corners staff was held on April 24 by Sheldon Lawrence and Myrna Houston (personnel clerk of the State Library) to clarify personnel procedures and to assist in establishing new personnel evaluation techniques.

The National Indian Education Association invited Mrs. Groulx to a board meeting and planning session in St. Paul on April 30 and May 1. The purpose of this meeting was to outline plans for demonstration libraries on three reservation sites. The Rough Rock Demonstration School on the Navajo Reservation has been chosen as one of these and Mrs. Groulx has been named as a consultant to this project. Attempts will be made to coordinate this activity with the overall development of library service on the reservation.

The move to the newly-remodeled quarters of the Flagstaff Public Library was completed in May. This allows for much-needed space and easier access to the bookstock to replenish the bookmobile. A larger quantity of material can also be stored here to provide a wider range of materials.

A second planning meeting of the representatives from the four states in the Four Corners Region was held in Farmington, New Mexico, on May 8-9. Mrs. Groulx, Andy Deering and Sheldon Lawrence were in attendance to assist in making further plans for a cooperative library project involving portions of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah.

Several Region III library committee members met on May 26 in Flagstaff to plan a regional telecommunications project. An efficient interlibrary loan network system will be needed to replace the Navapach Project which will be discontinued in the near future.

The third planning session for the four-state library project was held at Durango, Colorado on June 15-16. A proposal is being finalized from that meeting and sources of funding will be investigated. Mrs. Marguerite Cooley and Sheldon Lawrence attended from the Arizona State Department of Library and Archives.

The development of libraries on the Hopi Reservation was discussed at a meeting in Oraibi on June 21 attended by Mrs. Cooley, Mrs. Groulx and Sheldon Lawrence. A cooperative project is being planned in conjunction with the Teacher Corps Component of the Community Study Center and Libraries section of the Hopi Action Program.

C. COLLECTIONS

The bookstock for the project has been quite adequate, and every effort is made to periodically weed it of unused material and add more pertinent material when available. There is a constant demand for multiple copies of books on Indian socio-economic conditions and culture and a fine collection of these has been added. The demand for fiction is great but there is also much interest in practical material on subjects such as home improvement and repair, automobile mechanics, and the various aspects of family living. An increased interest has become apparent in environmental and social issues, and in innovative methods for the personal educational development of many of the users. Art books are always in demand by a growing number of American Indian artists and craftsmen, and because of the growing interest in American Indian arts and crafts.

Indian tribal history and folklore is an ever-popular subject, both on the adult and juvenile level. At times the number of children's books have been limited and it was necessary to restrict the borrowing privileges to a small number of books per person. However, this problem was alleviated with the addition of new materials. The heaviest demand in children's literature is for well-illustrated books preferably for those depicting the Indian culture, although others, especially those of high quality, are very popular. It is felt that the provision for children's material is very important because it is at this age that good reading habits are established and the added educational benefits are felt to be invaluable.

Having two collections in both Winslow and Flagstaff permits a broader selection of materials and also allows for the housing of a greater number of books. Service to the BIA employees living in the area has increased but in some areas the patrons are almost entirely Indian. This has a definite effect on the types of materials which are required on certain bookmobile runs.

The heavy demands at some stops have prompted the placement of deposit collections in places such as Overgaard, the College of Ganado and the Navajo National Monument Ranger Station. Assistance has also been given to some of the small Chapter House collections which are available to the public.

D. CIRCULATION

With the addition of another bookmobile, the schedules were expanded from a previous 58 stops to a total of 85. Having a second vehicle also allows the stops to be made more frequently, which is a tremendous asset. This aspect alone has been a great improvement, not only in making the materials available to more people more often but also because request services are offered with more regularity. The number of special requests for materials not on the bookmobiles has grown considerably.

The circulation statistics, found in the Appendix, reveal a marked increase in the total for the year. The total circulation for the period of July 1, 1971 to June 30, 1972 was 81,166 as compared to 57,115 for the previous project year.

E. SPECIAL PROGRAMS

The many administrative duties and great distances involved have made it difficult to incorporate special programs into the busy schedule of the Four Corners staff. However, a number of programs for young children were conducted.

A storytelling session was held at Tonalea in late September for the third and fourth grade students. This stimulated much interest in the reading program, and a resulting increase in the number of books circulated was experienced.

The workshop attended by Mrs. Groulx on Early Childhood Education at Toyei in July, where she held a session on storytelling, aroused much interest in the services of the bookmobile. The kindergarten teachers and their Navajo aides showed a marked appreciation of the materials and consultant services available.

During November, five story hours were held by Mrs. Groulx. These were conducted for the third grade classes at Dinnehotso and included bilingual story hours with the assistance of a Navajo instructional aide at Chilchinbito.

At some of the larger boarding schools, special sessions have been held with the upper grade children to acquaint them with the bookmobile program and to register new users. The school libraries are never adequate, it seems, to meet all the interests and needs of the student body, so the services of the bookmobile are definitely appreciated. The schools at Greasewood, Red Mesa and Kaibito, however, are so large that it is impossible to allow enough time in the schedule for everyone to utilize the bookmobile collection to the fullest extent. Time must also be scheduled for use by the people of the community as there is also a demand in that area.

F. COMMUNICATIONS

The Navapach Telecommunications Project is still being utilized to make the best possible use of the materials available locally. By using a telephone credit card, libraries in the area can more readily determine if needed material can be found in the area before sending the request to the State Library Extension Service in Phoenix. The holdings of Navajo Community College and Northern Arizona University are very valuable in this project since they contain material pertinent to the area. The Navapach contract under Title III of the Library Services and Construction Act expires in June, so other methods of providing a similar service are being explored.

The teletypewriter located in the Winslow office is used frequently in conjunction with the above project for expediting requests for materials which cannot be found locally. With the expiration date of the Navapach Project approaching, plans are to move the teletypewriter to the Flagstaff office in order to more fully utilize the materials available there, and to more efficiently use the professional staff located in the Four Corners office and the Flagstaff Public Library.

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLICITY

Much publicity has been given the project this past year by the local media. The NAVAJO TIMES has been printing the schedules periodically, along with special articles on the staff and services of the project. Articles and schedules have also appeared in the Flagstaff, Winslow and Hopi Action news publications. Some selected articles have been reprinted in the Appendix.

The radio station in Winslow has been regularly broadcasting the bookmobile schedules. Other stations have also done the same with some reported to have been broadcast in the Navajo language. News releases and schedules are regularly mailed out to the radio stations and local presses. The cooperation has been most gratifying. Sample bookmobile schedules have been included in the Appendix.

The report for the Four Corners Mobile Library Project for the first year of operation was included in the bulletin of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) Clearinghouse on Library and Informational Sciences of the U. S. Office of Education. This has resulted in a number of requests for the publication although the stock has been depleted.

Being in the All Indian World's Fair and Rodeo parade in Winslow in September, the bookmobile was viewed by thousands of people. "Bookpower" was the theme used to decorate the vehicle.

Personal appearances, such as those at workshops and in the Navajo Tribal offices and Chapter Houses, have provided many important opportunities with which to publicize the project, issue schedules and sign up new borrowers. Not to be ignored, however, is the passing on of information by word of mouth by the users of the service who have found it to be most useful and desirable.

H. CONSULTANT SERVICES

As the need for consultant services arises, Mrs. Groulx and Mr. Lawrence have served in various capacities as needed. The establishment and organization of county and regional libraries has been progressing and much assistance and guidance is necessary. As mentioned above, several meetings were attended and the groundwork has been laid for the future functioning of these two library systems. The formulation of these plans must include provisions for services to the Indian population, so it is important that this be included in the planning of library systems for the area.

The few public libraries in the area have asked for assistance in evaluating their collections, in book selection, and various other library procedures. More Indian participation in the operation of these libraries is being encouraged. The training of library workers by the State Library staff has been offered and it is hoped that in the near future this can be accomplished.

As mentioned above, Mrs. Groulx has been asked by the National Indian Education Association to serve as consultant for the planning of a demonstration library for the Rough Rock area. This will

enable her to assist in coordinating this project with the future development of libraries and interlibrary loan networks on reservation lands.

Another project that has requested assistance is the establishment of libraries on the Hopi Reservation. This is a special project of the Teacher Corps which has requested assistance from the Arizona State Library Agency. A visit by Mrs. Cooley, Mrs. Groulx and Mr. Lawrence to the offices of Mr. Abbott Sekaquaptewa and Mr. Alexander Ami at Second Mesa on June 21 resulted in more concrete planning for this project.

The planning of an interlibrary loan network to replace the Navapach System is being developed. This has proven to be an invaluable service and definitely needs to be continued. Numerous phone calls and visits between Mrs. Groulx and Mr. Lawrence have been necessary in connection with the above mentioned projects to ensure that all aspects of each project are being considered.

I. FISCAL INFORMATION

All expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972 are shown in the Appendix. The total cost of this cooperative venture between the State Library Extension Service and the Four Corners Regional Commission is shown in these figures.

An inventory is also included in the Appendix which indicates the equipment and materials acquired for this project.

J. SUMMARY AND EVALUATION

The second year of operation of the Four Corners Mobile Library Project has shown there is a definite need for this type of service. The loaning of materials has surpassed all expectations and has provided the staff with many gratifying experiences. With the addition of another bookmobile and three new staff members, a greater impact has been possible in respect to supplying the informational and educational needs of those living in the area. This need not imply that no problems have been encountered and no shortcomings occurred.

With the expansion of the project came the capacity for adding areas to the schedules which were previously impossible with only one vehicle. As an example, the community of Kaibito was visited for the first time last fall. This is a very isolated area of the Navajo Reservation and the response to the bookmobile service was overwhelming. The last stretch of the journey to Kaibito involves travelling twenty miles over a poorly maintained dirt road. This obstacle alone restricts the amount of time that the service is available to the users at the trading post, Public Health Station and school. A strong interest has been shown here in materials to improve educational levels and work skills. Frequently requested are publications for GED (high school equivalency) preparation, basic math and English improvement, community health work and counseling, clerical skills, livestock care, carpentry, plus a variety

of other subjects including an always-present demand for dictionaries. Books on the Indian culture are also important. Patrons for these types of material range from the well-educated teachers and health service personnel to the older citizens who have not had the opportunity to further their educational training.

Although the summer schedule is usually not as heavy due to the mobility of the population and the boarding schools being closed, a significant increase in circulation was experienced over the previous summer. In the Hopi villages this was in part due to a Community Action Program of fine arts involving all ages. Whenever possible, bookmobile service was coordinated with local programs which were in operation and which enabled both activities to function to a greater advantage.

Many of the children who had been away to boarding school were eager to use their library cards which had been issued on previous visits. Many were even found choosing books for their parents and other family members, who may have been too timid to approach the bookmobile. This continuity of bookmobile use is an indication of the need for such a service.

Other new stops, such as Bitter Springs and The Gap, initially attracted only a few users, but as subsequent stops were made more readers were added each time. In this and other similar areas, there is often a lack of educational opportunities since no local schools or service agencies are located in the vicinity.

In September, the demand for children's books all but depleted the entire stock. This, fortunately, was remedied when many were returned on the next run and additions were received from the State Library Extension Service. Service to the children is felt to be of great importance because of the educational benefits derived, especially since these children are usually a year or two behind their Anglo counterparts in academic achievement, largely due to language difficulties. Efforts are made to encourage them to continue their reading habits in later years as this is when the discrepancy becomes more apparent. The special programs at the schools have afforded results in this area.

The staff of the Four Corners Project has given assistance to many local educational programs. The ONEO Headstart and Follow Through classes have been provided with much-needed materials, and have sought advice on the selection and acquisition of low-level reading matter. Regular stops at over two dozen Headstart classes have circulated a large number of picture books, as well as supplying the vocational, educational and recreational reading needs of the staffs at the schools.

El Paso Natural Gas and Peabody Coal employees are among those living in isolated areas who are very appreciative of this service and who are some of the most ardent borrowers. Many had been accustomed to library service in previous places of residence and look forward to each visit of the bookmobile.

U. S. Public Health Service employees utilize the bookmobile service at many locations. Again, the isolation of some of the stations makes this service an important means of meeting current informational needs, as well as combating the boredom which so often is encountered in such situations.

ONEO Home Improvement Programs have been supplied with supplemental vocational materials in several areas. At the Chapter Houses, classes in art and jewelry-making have required materials for both staff and students.

The services of the bookmobiles have also been coordinated with other programs such as the Career Opportunities program, Home Extension Services, Community Action Programs and the Visiting Nurses. School principals and librarians have been cooperative in conducting the heavy school stops. The bookmobile offers a welcome addition to the overtaxed libraries in most of the schools.

The Navapach Telecommunications Project has played an important role in promoting cooperation among the different types of libraries in the project area. Requests for materials not on the bookmobiles or in the local libraries have been handled effectively through this service. Along with providing needed materials for school assignments and general use, a spirit of cooperation has been fostered which will be carried over into future developments of library service in this area. Needless to say, the advantages of such a system are of utmost importance in such a sparsely populated region with a corresponding paucity of local libraries.

With all the apparent success of the project, there are still certain aspects of library service which remain inadequate. The use of bookmobiles provides only periodic accessibility to library materials with nothing, save the request service, to fill the gap between stops. If time would allow, more training would be beneficial to those staffing the various libraries in the schools, Chapter Houses, colleges, and the few local public libraries. This would result in more efficient and effective interlibrary loan methods and library procedures. Some library materials are not being utilized as much as is possible and this shortcoming could be diminished by providing more consultive services in the area. With the development of the libraries on the Hopi Reservation, the building of the new Navajo Tribal Museum and Library at Window Rock, and the new demonstration library at Rough Rock, the need for coordination of the projects is apparent.

Bookmobile service will continue to be coordinated with the development of local libraries. The drivers are to be commended for spending many late hours at some stops, waiting for children and adults who, upon return from their day's activities, are eager to use the bookmobile services. The establishment of more local libraries would alleviate this situation and provide more meaningful library service. But until such aspirations can be realized the Four Corners bookmobile service will continue to be the major source of informational and recreational reading matter in this area.

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Tommie Scott,
Bookmobile Driver
Winslow

Elaine Harvey
Clerk, Winslow
Marie Joe,
Clerk, Flagstaff

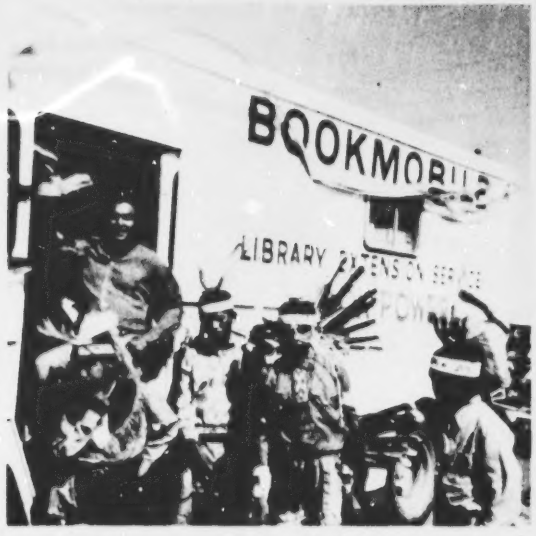
Mrs. Jean Groulx, Project Librarian (not pictured)
Robert Smyth, Jr., Bookmobile Driver, Flagstaff
(not pictured)

Bookmobile patrons

All Indian World's Fair and Rodeo Parade

Winslow, Arizona

September 1971



Donald Redbird in parade

Bookmobile on parade route

Headstart class

Andy Deering with
suburban vehicle in parade

'Book(mobile)worms'

A NAVAJO youngster, Cynthia Robbins, left, of Cameron, and her friends Trina, center, and Lavenia Humetewa, who are Hopi, get book borrowing instructions from Mrs. Jean Groulx of Flagstaff, while aboard the Four Corners bookmobile at its Cameron stop in the Navajo reservation. The bookmobile program is funded by the Library Services and Construction Act and the Four Corners Regional Commission. The bookmobile makes trips to remote Northland communities each month. (SUNfoto)

NAVAJO TIMES October 7, 1971

Libraries Offer Job Assistance

Participating libraries throughtout Arizona are offering special help to their patrons in upgrading personal job capabilities. Starting this week special collections of books on employment guidance are being exhibited and circurlated at the Four Corners Bookmobile.

Included in the special collection at the Four Corners Bookmobile are books which answer current questions on jobs and on new methods on earning a living. One example is mail order franchising in which an individual can operate a small business from his home. A small investment is usually required and some of the schemes proposed are quite risky, the materials point out.

Among the careers covered are public relations, real estate, data processing, airline stewardess, forest ranger and modeling and related glamour careers.

The library special collection includes material, too, on developing management ability, the technique of supervising people and such special fields as market research.

One purpose of the exhibition is to demonstrate how even the smaller of the state's libraries can draw on the largest to get special books or answers to patrons' questions. Many libraries are connected by a telephone-teletype network or draw on the resources of the Library Extension Service of the State Department of Library and Archives.

To acquaint patrons with job services the Four Corners Bookmobile is distributing a pamphlet entitled "How Your Library Can Help You Discover the Right Job".

THE FLAGSTAFF SUN October 27, 1971

A Library on Wheels Covers Vast Northern Arizona Area

Each month two specially-equipped vans bring books to the far reaches of northern Arizona's Indian Reservations.

The Four Corners Bookmobile Project is the major public library agency which now serves most of the area encompassing the Navajo and Hopi Reservations within Arizona.

The Bookmobile Unit has its main office in Flagstaff and a branch office in Winslow.

Mrs. Jean Groulx, librarian, said there are now 62 stops on the reservations which are visited once a month. A free service, there are now two bookmobiles in operation with two schedules for each week of the month.

The collection is primarily books by and about American Indians, or books of particular interest to Indians.

Four of the six-member staff are Indians, she said, with Tommie Scott, bookmobile operator, the newest member. A Navajo from the Fort Defiance area, he is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Other staff members include Andy Deering, library assistant; Elaine Harvey, clerk; Marie Joe, clerk and Donald Redbird, bookmobile operator.

The bookmobiles loan books to the Office of Navajo Economic Opportunity Headstart classes, the Home Improvement Training Program, the Pinon Co-op, Rough Rock Demonstration School, Navajo Community College faculty, public and BIA schools, the Public Health Service Staffs, Community Health workers and the general public at trading posts and post offices.

Through a telecommunication project, the unit serves as a reference center for the community libraries at Window Rock and Chinle, and for the public high schools at Kayenta, Ganado and Monument Valley, Mrs. Groulx said.

During the week of Nov. 1 to 5, the bookmobiles will be visiting the following communities, Mrs. Groulx said.

NOV. 2: Teas Toh, 11 a.m.; Seba Dalkai, 12 noon; Keams Canyon, 3 p.m.; Tse Nez Iah, 4 p.m. and Mexican Water, 5 p.m.

NOV. 3: Polacca-Tewa, 8:30 a.m.; Red Mesa, 9 a.m., Tec Nos Pos, 11:30 a.m.; Dinnehotso, 1:30 p.m. and Second Mesa, 3:30 p.m.

NOV. 4: Hotevilla-Bocabi, 9 a.m.; Chilchinbito, 9 a.m.; Oraibi, 1 p.m.; Kayenta Mobile Homes, 1 p.m.; Kayenta Low Rent Hosuing, 2 p.m.; Kayenta Trading Post, 3 p.m. and Dilcon, 4 p.m.

NOV. 5: Tsegi, 8:30 a.m.; Navajo National Monument, 9:30 a.m. and Cow Springs, 11 a.m.

NAVAJO TIMES October 28, 1971

Library Offers Cooking Collection

Discovering up to a thousand new ways of perparing family meals in the prospect for Four Corners Bookmobile patrons starting next week.

The library will exhibit and circulate a special collection of books on cooking including recommendations of internationally famous chefs especially adapted for use in the home kitchen.

Included in the special collection are simple instructions for cooking dishes native to many countries, among the most popular being Mexican, French, Chinese and Italian. While many of these dishes appear exotic and complicated to American tastes, an aim has been to simplify their preparation for easy sampling.

An objective of the collection is to emphasize the importance of meal planning. The drudgery of cooking, some experts maintain, is based on failure to plan ahead and to add variety to menus. Once a homemaker combines the simplest planning with new flavor combinations, she discovers that even ordinary meals can be fun to prepare.

Books in the special collection at the Four Corners Bookmobile Library also emphasize low budget meals, cooking pleasurably for weight reduction and such specialities as the art of salad making.

One purpose of the collection is cooking is to illustrate the wide variety of information available through even the smallest of the libraries in the state. Complicated cooking questions and unusual recipes, for instance, can be answered by mail response and through telephone-teletype connections with larger libraries or the resources of the Library Extension Service of the Arizona Department of Library and Archives.

To acquaint patrons with its special collection on cooking Four Corners Bookmobile is distributing a free pamphlet entitled, "How Your Library Can Help Your Plan Your Family Meals."

The state library with assistance from the U. S. Library Services and Construction Act has previously issued leaflets entitled, "How Your Library Can Help You Discover the Right Job," "Help You Benefit from New Leisure Times," and "Help Serve and Entertain the Entire Family."

NAVAJO TIMES October 28, 1971

Four Corners Bookmobile Set

The Four Corners Bookmobile Project is the major public library agency now serving most of the area of the Navajo Nation within the State of Arizona. There are now 62 stops on the reservation which are visited once a month. The collection is primarily books by and about American Indians, or books of particular interest to Indians today. Four of the staff of six are Indians. The new bookmobile operator is Tommie Scott, a Navajo from the Fort Defiance area and a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

The bookmobiles loan books to ONEO Headstart classes, the HITP program, the Pinon CO-OP, Rough Rock Demonstration School, the Navajo Community College faculty as well as to people at Chapter Houses, public and B.I.A. schools, the Public Health Service staffs, Community Health workers and to the general public at trading posts and post offices.

Through a telecommunication project they serve as a reference center for the community libraries at Window Rock and Chinle, and for the public high schools at Kayenta, Ganado and Monument Valley.

For more information persons can call the Flagstaff office: 774-6977 or Winslow: 289-4841.

NAVAJO TIMES November 18, 1971

Four Corners Bookmobile News

A special invitation to local businessmen anxious to hold down costs is being issued this week by the Four Corners Bookmobile. The library is exhibiting and circulating for these men and women a selected collection of business books aimed at cost reduction and improving methods of managing small business.

Typical of the books which have been used as a basis for the special collection are titles and subject matter such as these:

Tax Guide for Small Business
The Practise of Planning
Person-to-Person Management
Fundamental Accounting

Although many people in business use public libraries for recreational reading, rarely are they aware that even a small library in Arizona usually also has facilities for answering some of the most difficult of business questions. Many libraries are connected by a telephone-teletype network to large state and regional institutions or they can draw on the resources of the Library Extension Service of the Arizona Department of Library and Archives.

Business advisory organizations almost without exception list "cost watching" as paramount among the principles of successful small business management. Management failure accounts for some nine of ten business bankruptcies in the U.S., according to the credit rating firm of Dun and Bradstreet.

In some areas of the country public libraries have formed highly organized question-answer services solely for businessmen. These range from answers to specific tax questions to bibliographies covering such broad topics as salesmanship to public financing.

Similar services are available through libraries such as the Four Corners Bookmobile exhibiting next week.

NAVAJO TIMES September 16, 1971

BOOKMOBILE

THE FIRST VISIT to the Bookmobile from the newest class at Chilchinbeto Day School. The kindergarten class visited the traveling library and chose their own books to check out this month.

NAVAJO TIMES April 13, 1972

Bookmobile Announces Personnel

Robert Smyth, Jr., a Navajo from the Tuba City area is a new driver for the Four Corners Bookmobile of the Arizona Library Extension Service. Bob attended schools at Tuba City and graduated from Commercial Art School in the Institute of Lettering and Design, Chicago, Ill. He also attended Maricopa Technical College in Pheonix, Arizona. Bob joined the staff February 15, 1972 and is working out of the Flagstaff office.

Tommie Scott, the bookmobile operator from the Winslow office has been with the Four Corners Project since July, 1971. Tommie is Navajo and attended school at St. Micheals, Albuquerque High School and Haskell Institute. He is a Marine Corps veteran and served in Vietnam. Both drivers are prepared to help people find the books they want and to help them with the free request service.

Office staff members are Miss Marie Joe, a Navajo whose family lives at Sand Springs, and Mrs. Elaine Harvey, a Hopi from Second Mesa. Miss Joe graduated from Intermountain Indian School and Parks Business College in Denver. Mrs. Harvey attended school in Flagstaff and graduated from Stewart Indian School and Haskell Institute.

Andy J. Deering, Library Assistant, of Flagstaff and a graduate of Northern Arizona University , and Mrs. Jean Groulx, Librarian, who is in charge of the project. Mrs. Groulx received her B.A. in Anthropology and a Masters degree in Library Science from the University of California in Berkeley.

The Four Corners bookmobile offers free public library service for books and information in northern Coconino, Navajo and Apache Counties. Its first priorities are the interests and needs of the Indian people of the Navajo and Hopi nations.

CIRCULATION STATISTICS

	FOUR CORNERS BOOKMOBILES			LES BOOKMOBILE		
Month	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total
July, 1971	1,255	1,342	2,597	695	634	1,329
August	1,535	1,255	2,790	1,274	1,260	2,534
September	1,891	2,493	4,384	1,117	1,543	2,660
October	2,060	2,973	5,033	954	1,710	2,664
November	2,715	3,452	6,167	1,006	2,006	3,012
December	876	1,161	2,037	251	602	853
January, 1972	2,525	2,902	5,427	995	1,853	2,848
February	2,216	2,772	4,988	1,106	1,981	3,087
March	2,003	2,585	4,588	1,185	2,265	3,450
April	2,945	2,954	5,899	1,059	2,071	3,130
May	1,642	1,852	3,494	1,061	1,896	2,957
June	865	748	1,613	1,924	1,701	3,625
TOTALS	22,528	26,489	49,017	12,627	19,522	32,149

GRAND TOTAL 81,166

FOUR CORNERS BOOKMOBILE PROJECT

EXPENDITURE REPORT

FY 1971/72

	FCRC Funds	LSCA and State Funds
Salaries	$35,373.00	$ 1,836.00
FICA	1,806.00	95.00
Retirement	1,770.00	92.00
Workman's Compensation	214.00	
Travel Expense	3,621.00	530.00
Vehicle Expense	647.00	4,457.00
Communications	304.00	50.00
Office Supplies	340.00	400.00
Books	4,126.00	22,540.00
Personnel	248.00	
Equipment	1,551.00	
Vehicle Equipment		20,000.00
Total Expenditures	$50,000.00	$50,000.00

EQUIPMENT INVENTORY - PHASE I & PHASE II

1 Remington Adder	$ 145.00
1 Book Truck	64.00
1 36" x 72" Library Table	68.00
1 3" x 5" Card File	19.00
1 Devon Cabinet	44.00
2 Adler Typewriters	362.00
4 Tiffany T/W Stands	120.00
2 660300 Desks	240.00
3 Steno Chairs	84.00
2 Folding Chairs	6.00
1 6019 Folding Table	28.00
1 Devon Cabinet	39.00
1 Book Case	33.00
4 3" x 5" Card Cabinets	40.00
1 Book Truck	61.00
12 Burroughs Book Shelves	842.00
3 Waste Baskets	10.00
Total Equipment	$ 2,205.00

Total Volumes in Use 18,185

ARIZONA LIBRARY EXTENSION SERVICE
Four Corners Bookmobile
Box 1208
Flagstaff, Arizona 86001
Phone: 774-6977
May, 1972

Tuesday, May 2	
Tonalea	10:00
Shonto	1:00
Wednesday, May 3	
Kaibito Boarding School	9:30
Kaibito T. P.	1:00
Kaibito Elementary	2:00
Thursday, May 4	
Coal Mine Mesa	9:30

Tuesday, May 9	
Twin Arrows	9:00
Walnut Canyon	10:00
Leupp	2:00
Leupp EPNG	3:00
Wednesday, May 10	
Parks	1:00
Williams EPNG	3:30
Thursday, May 11	
Happy Jack	9:30

Monday, May 15	
Navajo Nat'l Monu.	5:00
Tuesday, May 16	
Red Mesa	9:00
Mexican Water	1:00
Tse Nez Iah	1:30
Dinnehotso	2:30
Wednesday, May 17	
Chilchinbito	9:00
Kayenta Mobile Homes	1:00
Kayenta Low-Rent Housing	2:00
Kayenta Trading Post	3:00

Tuesday, May 23	
Sacred Mountain	9:00
Antelope Hills	9:30
Hank's Trading Post	9:45
Spider Web Ranch	10:30
Wauneta Trading Post	11:00
Gray Mountain	1:00
Cameron	2:00
Wednesday, May 24	
Jacobs Lake Lodge, HMC	11:30
Kaibab Lodge	2:00
North Rim	3:30
Thursday, May 25	
Cliff Dwellers	9:30
Vermillion Cliffs	10:00
Marble Canyon	10:30
Lee's Ferry	12:00
Navajo Springs HMC	1:30
Bitter Springs	2:00
Cedar Ridge	2:30
The Gap	3:00
Friday, May 26	
Fancher Ranch	9:30
Wupatki Nat'l Monu.	10:00
Sunset Crater	11:30

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Four Corners Bookmobile
420 W. Gilmore, Winslow, Arizona 86047
Phone: 289-4841
May, 1972

Tuesday, May 2	
Meteor Crater	9:00
Chilson's Ranch	10:00
Canyon Diablo	11:00
Walter's Ranch	12:00
Blue Ridge Ranger Sta.	2:00
Blue Ridge HMC	3:00
Wednesday, May 3	
Sun Valley	9:30
Painted Hills	10:30
Old Stage Stop	11:00
Houck	12:00
Indian Ruins	1:30
Sanders	2:30
Chambers	4:00
Thursday, May 4	
Navajo	12:00
Rainbow Forest	2:00
Woodruff	3:30

Monday, May 8	
Pinon	11:30
Low Mountain	2:00
Cottonwood	3:30
Tuesday, May 9	
Rock Point	10:00
Round Rock	1:00
Lukachukai	3:00
Wednesday, May 10	
Many Farms	9:00
Thursday, May 11	
Rough Rock	9:30

Tuesday, May 16	
Teas Toh	11:00
Seba Dalkai	12:00
Keams Canyon	3:00
Wednesday, May 17	
Polacca-Tewa	8:30
Second Mesa	3:30
Thursday, May 18	
Hoteville-Bacobi	9:00
Oraibi	1:00
Dilcon	4:00

Tuesday, May 23	
Indian Wells	10:30
White Cone	1:00
Toyei	3:00
Wednesday, May 24	
Steamboat	8:30
Greasewood	11:30
Cornfields	2:00
Ganado	3:30
Thursday, May 25	
Navajo EPNG	9:00
Klagetoh	11:30
Wide Ruins	1:00

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